



Knowing Jesus

Sharing God's Love

Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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18th August Trinity 12

Holy Communion

Lead: *Raymond*; A/V: *Mike S / Wendy*

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Welcome & Notices

RB 140 All hail the power (1456)

Confession

Gloria

Psalm 16 Gill

RB 118 Firmly I believe and truly

John 20:24-31 Mary D

Sermon (Raymond)

Creed

Intercessions (David Willetts)

RB 391 Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Communion (EPA)

RB 214 Guide me O thou great

Blessing

Church Café

Heather & Mary R

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Word for The Week: Evidently

Have you ever wondered what sort of mind Hercule Poirot must have? Some how he goes through life not exactly noticing things, but when a small seemingly trivial and otherwise irrelevant details suddenly becomes the key, it is retrieved from his memory to joins the dots and he solves the case, leaving those of us watching agape with amazement.

How does he do it? Well, it's the way fiction works – Agatha Christie knows how to tell a story and she drops in clues at the perfect moment so Poirot sees as we miss them. If only it was a skill we could learn. But for us mortals who are not part of a master story-teller's creation, there is still evidence for us to notice.

There are things we can see immediately, and there are things we have to work out from the clues left behind. A footprint in the sand, the crumbs from a loaf of bread, a wine-stain on the tablecloth.

We sometimes looks for evidence to repeat, but often its alone – and why would we ignore evidence from long ago just because the day is new?

“Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed” says Jesus. (John 20:29)

Raymond

Parish Outing to Waterperry Gardens

Wheatley, Oxford

Including 5pm worship in the ancient Saxon church of St Mary the Virgin



On Sunday 8th September

Outward departure from Shaw: 1:15pm for 1:30pm.

Return departure 6.15pm for 6.30pm.

Coach fare plus group entry £22.00 per person.



Sign-up sheet at the rear of the church.



The team continue to ask for our **help with restocking**. Can you add any of these items to your shopping this week, and leave in the donation baskets on the way out? Thankyou.



Drop-off locations & latest lists:
(and links to the Foodbank App!)

<https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Monetary donations also gratefully received online

Urgently Needed, this week

- Biscuits
- Shampoo, shower gel, deodorant
- Tinned vegetables
- Confectionery, sweets & treats
- Tinned soup or Cup-a-Soup
- Instant coffee
- Cereal or cereal bars

Well Stocked, NO MORE REQUIRED, thankyou:
Baked Beans, Pasta

Low on Stock:

- UHT Milk – full fat or semi-skimmed
- Long life fruit juice
- Squash drinks
- Tinned fruit
- Ketchup
- Size 2 Nappies
- Long-life sponge puddings
- Tinned custard or rice puddings
- Dried milk or Marvel
- Mug shots or Pot Noodles



Booking is now open, for local Heritage Open Day event

Reconstructing Donnington Castle

Saturday 14th September

9.30 for 10am start, 4pm finish

New findings about the castle's history

At St Mary's Church, Shaw, ending at the castle.

More details at: www.eventbrite.co.uk

Full link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heritage-open-day-reconstructing-donnington-castle-tickets-944176516377>

Read Mark

Mark 12:18-34 (NIV)



¹⁸ Then the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question. ¹⁹ “Teacher,” they said, “Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁰ Now there were seven brothers. The first one married and died without leaving any children. ²¹ The second one married the widow, but he also died, leaving no child. It was the same with the third. ²² In fact, none of the seven left any children. Last of all, the woman died too. ²³ At the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?” ²⁴ Jesus replied, “Are you not in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God? ²⁵ When the dead rise, they will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven. ²⁶ Now about the dead rising— have you not read in the Book of Moses, in the account of the burning bush, how God said to him, ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?’ ²⁷ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living. You are badly mistaken!”

²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, “Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”

²⁹ “The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

³² “Well said, teacher,” the man replied. “You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. ³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

Meeting Point is taking a summer break until Tuesday 10th September

when you will be welcome to join us (9.45-11.15am) to have time together for you & your little ones; (refreshments from 9.15am). For more details over the summer, contact Libby: tel: 01635 30719 or by email: libby.goldsack@btinternet.com

For Prayer

At Shaw Church, we keep a list of people who have asked for public prayer. If you would like to be included, please let the office know.



- ***Cynthia Lane, Mark Hutson, Ruth Fisher, June Milsom, Geoffrey Keegan, Brian Eaton.***
- ***Laurie Clarke and family as they mourn his wife, Amanda.***
- ***Our nursing home fellowship members, including Mary Taylor, Joan Lamonby, Sylvia Reed, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Mary Curtis***
- ***This week, the residents of Cresswell Rd, Birchwood Rd, Birchwood Care Home, Alder Close, Lime Close & Tilia Mews***
- ***Our ministers Raymond and Ed, and all those who support us in services***

Shaw Church Prayer Chain is available if you would like confidential prayer, please contact Libby on 01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com and she will circulate your request.

What's on this week:

Sunday	18 th	Bell Ringing Course	14:00	Church	
Wednesday	21 st	Morning Prayer	09:15 – 10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00 – 12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Funeral of Amanda Clarke	12:30	Church	Raymond

Next Sunday, 25th August 2024

10:00 am Morning Prayer Trinity 13

Leader: Raymond

Stewards Rachel, Wendy

Sound Steve J/MikeS

Readings Luke 5:1-11 Jane O

John 21:1-14 Mark

Café: Charles & Lesley

Green tip

Greener cleaner for your oven
Add baking soda and water to an oven-proof bowl, then slowly add some vinegar. Spread over the inside of your oven, then put the bowl and remaining mixture into the oven and turn to 100°C. Leave for 45 minutes, then wipe away with a cloth.